

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OR

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE
LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE
PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

MARCH, 1888.

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Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 31st day of March, 1888, both in the Land Commission and in the Civil Bill Courts; also of Proceedings in the Land Commission up to same date, under The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886, and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th February, 1888,	177,134	179,315	Rents fixed to 29th February, 1888, " in month of Mar., 1888,	97,779 1,384	96,563
Applications received in month of March, 1888,	2,191		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th February, 1888, " in month of Mar., 1888,	25,827 301	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 29th February, 1888,	22,738		Applications withdrawn* to 29th February, 1888, " in month of Mar., 1888,	16,789 142	
Applications received in month of March, 1888,	984	23,702	Total disposed of,	—	10,931
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts, under sec. 6, "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to 29th February, 1888,	459				
Applications received in month of March, 1888,	187				
Total,	—	203,653	Total disposed of,	—	156,722

(b) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 31, fixing Fair Rent to 29th February, 1888, Do., do. in month of March, 1888,	—	93,846 635
Total,	—	94,480

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 29th February, 1888,	1,333	1,251	Number disposed of to 29th February, 1888, " in month of March, 1888,	968 115
Applications received in month of March, 1888,	19			
	907			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 29th February, 1888,	36	245		
Applications in month of March, 1888,	36			
Total,	—		Total,	—
	1,496			1,071

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENT, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 29th February, 1888, in month of March, 1888,	24,809	Number heard to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	9,293	9,448
	702	"	* 155	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	± 1,037	
		"	—	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 31st March, 1888,	1,057	
		"	220	
		Number withdrawn to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	11,035	
		"	90	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	
	25,518	Remaining to be disposed of,	—	
Total,	25,518	Total,	—	25,518

* The full number of Appeals decided by Court in March, 1888.

† In 606 cases the Notices were struck out because maps were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 451 cases because the notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 52 cases, and of the latter 176 cases, were reinstated.

IV.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 29th Feb., 1888, in March, 1888,	1,816	BENTS fixed to 29th Feb., 1888,	585	585
	95	" in March, 1888,	—	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 29th Feb., 1888, in March, 1888,	100	
Total,	1,901	Total disposed of,	—	685

V.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEQ. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 29th February, 1888,*	58	Leases or Grants declared void to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	— 13	12
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compe- mised to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	—	
		Total,	—	
Total,	58	Total,	—	12

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 31st February, 1888.

Note.—One application received by Civil Bill Court in month of February was not notified to Land Commission until March.

VI.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEQ. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 29th February, 1888, in month of March, 1888,	9	Applications granted to 29th February, 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	—	—
	2	"	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	—	
		Applications withdrawn to 29th February, 1888, in month of Mar., 1888,	—	
Total,	11	Total,	—	—

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1883.

							Number,	Amount,
Loans applied for to 29th February, 1883,							11,552	£
" in March, 1883,							625	4,728,617
								144,501
							11,977	4,873,119
Loans sanctioned to 29th February, 1883,							9,022	£
" in March, 1883,							550	3,687,470
								338,529
							9,602	3,926,992
Loans issued to 29th February, 1883,							5,061	£
" in March, 1883,							914	2,145,027
								305,684
							5,975	2,450,491

Irish Land Commission, }
11th April, 1883.

DENIS GODLEY.